GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Talented Students
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to setup a fund for discovering talented students at school/college level and assist such deserving students;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the time by which such a fund is proposed to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)
(a) to (c) There is no proposal for setting up of a separate fund for discovering talented students at school/college level under the consideration of the Government at present. However, under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, various quality interventions have been supported. Under the RMSA, during the year 2016-17, approvals were accorded to 9 States for Talent Search Programme in 163 districts. Besides, there is a National Talent Search (NTS) Scheme, implemented through the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), which aims at identification of talented students and awarding them scholarship to pursue their further studies and nurture them.
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